



COLORADO FIREFIGHTER
HEART AND CANCER BENEFITS TRUST

**Minutes of the
Colorado Firefighter Heart and Cancer Benefits Trust
Annual Membership Meeting**

HELD:

October 20, 2021

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

John Willson – Louisville Fire Protection District, *Vice Chair*

Michael Calderazzo – Boulder Fire Rescue

Mark Novak – Vail Fire & Emergency Services

David Ramos – North Metro Fire Rescue District

Melissa Rossback – South Adams County Fire Department

Sue Steward – Arvada Fire Protection District

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Michael Frainier – Colorado Professional Firefighters Association (*Excused*)

Kammy Tinney – North-West Fire Protection District, *Secretary (Excused)*

Kevin Krayna – City of Boulder (*Excused*)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Joe DePaepe – McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. (*Administrator*)

Jennifer J. Alvarado – McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. (*Administration; Recording Secretary*)

Adam Johnsen – McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. (*Administration*)

Paula Lowder – McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. (*Administration*)

Vicki Sullivan – McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. (*Administration*)

Dianne Criswell – Special District Association of Colorado (*CFHC Trust General Counsel*)

Allison Slife – CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP (*Auditor (Telephonic)*)

Tiffany Lipsey – Director, Heart Disease Prevention Program, Colorado State University

CALL TO ORDER

Chief John Willson called the meeting to order at 7:15 a.m.

VICE CHAIR'S OPENING STATEMENT

Chief John Willson, Vice Chair of the CFHC Trust, welcomed everyone in attendance including the Trust Committee, Member Representatives, Administration staff, Trust attorney, and other guests.

Chief Willson made opening statements, summarizing how the CFHC Trust was doing, its member growth, program benefits, and Colorado's Cancer Program being a model for other states to replicate, which Missouri had just accomplished. Further, Chief Willson reminded everyone that coverage had been expanded as of January 1, 2021 to include breast cancer. He discussed that the Trust Committee was also looking at adding thyroid cancer but needed a larger consensus from membership to move it forward. He thanked everyone for their continued support and success of both the Heart and Cancer Award Programs.

CONFIRM QUORUM BY ATTENDANCE AND PROXY

Joe DePaepe, CFHC Trust Administrator, confirmed that a quorum of the member participants was present, either by personal attendance of designated representatives or by proxy.

ACCEPT OF 2020 TRUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the 2020 membership meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

CFHC TRUST AUDITOR JUNE 30, 2021 FISCAL YEAREND FINANCIAL REPORT

The Trust's Financial Auditor, Allison Slife, from CliftonLarsonAllen appeared by telephone to provide the June 30, 2021 yearend financial report to the members present. She reported that a clean opinion was issued for the Trust's yearend 2021 financials.

A motion was made to accept the 2021 Financial Report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES UPDATES

Mr. DePaepe gave an update on the year to date financials as well as the Heart Award Program and the Firefighter Heart Disease grants. He also highlighted the landmark broadening of coverage with the addition of breast cancer coverage to the Cancer Award Program as well as cancer prevention screening.

OTHER BUSINESS / QUESTIONS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP

Chief Willson noted that the Trust Committee periodically reviews coverage for additional cancers affecting firefighters. He relayed that a survey was underway to obtain feedback on further expanding the Cancer Program by adding coverage for thyroid cancer and encouraged members to respond so that the Trust Committee could gauge the receptiveness of members.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

By: _____
Jenniffer J Alvarado
Trust Administration & Recording Secretary

By: _____
Chief John Willson
Vice Chair